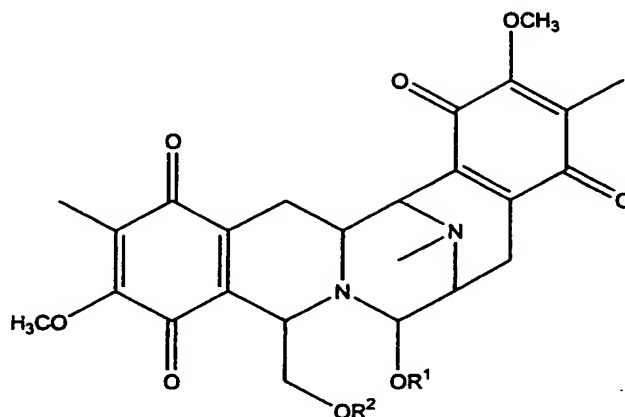


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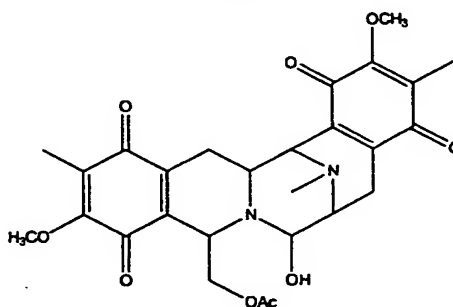
1. A compound the following formula (I):



wherein  $R^1$  is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, lower alkyl group and lower acyl group and  $R^2$  is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and lower acyl.

2. A compound according to claim 1, which is jorumycin, where  $R^1$  is H and  $R^2$  is

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3. A method of treating a mammal affected by a malignant tumour sensitive to a compound of the formula (I) of claim 1, which comprises administering a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of the formula (I), or a pharmaceutical composition thereof.
4. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of the formula (I) of claim 1, together with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

5. A method for preparing the compound of claim 2, which comprises extraction and isolation from the mollusc *Jorunna funebris*.
6. The use of a compound of formula (I) of claim 1 in the preparation of a medicament for the treatment of tumours.